

Danville Town Council Meeting Minutes
October 21, 2020

- I. **Call to Order:** Council Vice President Nancy Leavitt called the meeting of the Danville Town Council to order on October 21, 2020, in the Danville Town Hall.
- II. **Roll Call:** Town Council Vice President Nancy Leavitt acknowledged a quorum of the Council. Nancy Leavitt, David Winters, Chris Gearld, and Greg VanLaere were present, while Council President Tom Pado joined by phone. Town Manager Mark Morgan was present and Clerk-Treasurer Jenny Percy joined by phone.
- III. **Approval of Minutes:** David Winters motioned to approve the minutes for the executive session held on October 7, 2020 and Greg VanLaere seconded. Motion passed 5-0. Greg Vanlaere motioned to approve the council minutes from October 7, 2020 and David Winters seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
- IV. **Public Comment:** No one came forward.
- V. **Public Meeting:**
 - a) **Wishes to be Heard: Hendricks County Government**—Mr. Whetstone, Hendricks County Commissioner and Mr. Cavanaugh, Facilities Manager, came before the council to request a chance to renegotiate the tap fees for the new jail that they are building within the town limits. Assistant Town Manager Will Lacey proposed bringing a group of people from the town government to meet with the county government to talk about this in more depth before any final decision was made.
 - b) **Marion Township Fire Contract**—This would renew the fire protection contract for Marion Township. The dollar amount has not changed from previous years and Town Manager Mark Morgan said that the amount being charged was just and reasonable. Chris Gearld motioned to approve the contract and David Winters seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
 - c) **Resolution 10-2020**—Police Chief Jim Hilton requested a transfer of \$8000 each from the overtime and part-time funds to the 380 fund (for other services and charges). He would like to update the police radars and outfit the new officers and pay a few other bills. He wanted to be sure he had enough money for his end of year bills. David Winters motioned to approve the transfer and Greg VanLaere seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
 - d) **Ordinance 28-2020**—This would amend the golf cart ordinance so that people have to register their golf carts and have an inspection performed. It would go into effect at the beginning of 2021. David Winters motioned to approve the ordinance and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
 - e) **Ordinance 29-2020**—This would reduce the overall 2020 budget taking into consideration the cuts that some of the department heads made. Greg VanLaere motioned to approve the ordinance and David Winters seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
 - f) **Ordinance 30-2020**—This ordinance would establish the 2021 budget. David Winters motioned to approve the ordinance and Greg VanLaere seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
 - g) **Capital Expenditure Request: Wastewater Department**—The Wastewater Department asked the council's approval on a capital expenditure of \$19,519 for a UV disinfectant system that would come out of the department's budget for 2021. Greg VanLaere motioned to approve the expenditure and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
 - h) **Ordinance 32-2020**—This ordinance would allow the town to create GL Bond accounts with First Financial, which will be at the rate of 1.44%. Greg VanLaere motioned to suspend the rules so that a vote could be taken that evening and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0. Greg VanLaere motioned to approve the ordinance and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

VI. Staff Comments

Mark presented the department head reports.

Public Works: Had a paving schedule for 150 E; was working on sidewalks with the Stormwater department; was working on the concrete for Station 92; and was to begin leaf pickup the week following this council meeting. Interim Public Works Superintendent Alby Walker was able to negotiate a better deal with the paving company at no additional cost to the town.

Water: Was busy relocating hydrants on Martin Drive; they were getting meters ready for construction sites as well as visiting construction sites; they were planning on running disconnects the following Monday after the council meeting.

Police: Included their report in the council's packet; they are waiting on PERF to qualify their new employees.

Fire: Had three new employees start—their official first day will be October 31.

Parks: Was working on Winterland; a new sign is still in the works; they were working on trail maps; cameras were in the process of being installed in town hall; they will be moving a flagpole; they were working on Joe Hawkins field.

Stormwater: Had a demo scheduled for the building that is where the new Starbucks will be; Barry was working on sidewalks on Kentucky and Broadway as well as paving on Washington, Indiana, and Clinton Streets; there was a pre-construction meeting for the new Goodwill scheduled for Friday; he was doing proof role on Kensington; he had a temporary certification of occupancy for Faith Baptist Church; and the framing was done for the new building at Mary Queen of Peace.

Admin: The town received the first CARES Act check for \$23,124.54; they received confirmation of another grant for \$298,782.46 was approved. Mark thanked Malynn for her work on applying for these.

Mark also discussed a TIF fund that had not been fully expended and that was under the purview of the Redevelopment Commission. The remaining funds fall under the purview of the Redevelopment Commission. The commission approved a sign for the town's roundabout for the amount of \$79,478.32. The town also asked the commission to approve the addition of some passing/turning lanes for Woodland Terrace and Beasley's Orchard. The estimates for the former were \$21,300 for a passing lane, while the latter had two projects estimated at \$19,250 for a turning lane and \$21,300 for a passing lane. The Redevelopment Commission approved both, but Mark needed the council's approval. Greg VanLaere motioned to approve these projects and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0. Mark informed the council that he would like to use the remaining balance on fixing a drainage issue in Commerce Park and on extending some sidewalks and trails. Mark also informed them that he was working with Joan Miller on getting a new pin with the town's logo on it.

Will talked to the council about an upcoming open house for the trail system on the following Monday. He also told the council that he expected the camera and wifi projects to be completed in about three weeks.

Greg said he was excited about the new business at the corner of US 36 and Jefferson.

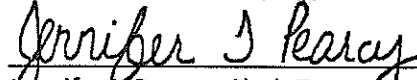
David said he was excited about the new businesses as well.

Chris seconded their feelings and mentioned an upcoming blood drive on Monday.

- VII. Claim Docket – Greg VanLaere motioned to approve the claim docket and David Winters seconded. Motion passed 5-0

VIII. **Adjourn** – David Winters made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting ended at 8:00pm.

Minutes submitted by Approved by:



Jennifer I. Percy, Clerk-Treasurer



Tom Pado, President